capacity and installed in a decentralised way, monthwise authenticated data of energy generation is not available.

Installed capacity of Power Generation in A and N Islands

4144. SHRI MANORANJAN BHAKTA: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the present installed capacity of power generation in the Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands and the actual power available for distribution as on 31st January, 1992;

(b) whether any study has been conducted to assess the actual requirement of power; and

(c) if so, the present demand and supply position as projected in Eigth Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) The present installed capacity in the Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands as on 31st January, 1992 was of the order of 28 MW. However, the derated a capacity which was available for power distribution was of the ordered 23 MW.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The Eighth Five Year Plan has not been finalised so far.

Temporary Status for Daily Wage Workers in Punjab

4145. PROF. PREM DHUMAL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether R.M.S. Divisions in Punjab Circle are regularising the service of daily wage workers after giving them temporary status;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) There are no daily wage workers on a regular basis in R.M.S. Divisions in Punjab Circle. However, occasionally against leave vacancies, arrangements on daily wage basis are made.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Does not arise.

Food Engineering Centres

4146. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian food processing industry has failed to make the grade for lack of proper infrastructure for inventing specialised machinery;

(b) whether none of the manufacturers was engaged in the development of new lines of plant and machinery for the industry;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether Government have framed any scheme for setting up a chain of "food engineering" centres for research and development of proper equipment for the purpose;

(e) if so, details and funds anticipated in this regard therefor; and

(f) whether any such centre shall be set

up in Calcutta, if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir.

(c). At present manufacturers in the country are not engaged in the development of new lines of plant and machinery for the industry mainly due to non-availability of Basic research & development facilities, prototype development and scale up facilities, product testing and marketing facilities.

(d) and (e). Ministry of Food Processing Industries has formulated a scheme for setting up one Food Engineering Centre at CFTRI Mysore during the 8th Plan to cater to the need of Food Processing Industry for the development of Food Processing machinery and Research & Development facilities with total financial outlay of Rs. 5.00 crores.

(f) No, Sir, only one Centre is proposed to be set up at CFTRI Mysore using the existing available infrastructure and expertise.

Expenditure on Advertisement by D.A.V.P.

4147. SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) expenditure on advertisement by DAVP language-wise during 1991-92;

(b) the number of papers, big, medium and small, which received advertisement from the DAVP during the year, language-wise; and

(c) the criteria for the classification for newspapers for application of different rates and the present schedule of rates?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) and (b). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(c) Classification of newspapers for application of rates is based on cost, related to circulation with in-built weightage to small and medium newspapers.

The present rate ranges from Rs. 8.70 to Rs. 31.50 for newspapers having circulation figures upto 50,000 copies with additional 46.2 paise per thousand copies above 50,000 copies.

Exploration of Bauxite and Iron Ore in Kerala

4148. SHRI THAYIL JOHN ANJALOSE: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have conducted any survey for locating Bauxite in Alleppey and Ernakulam districts and also iron ore in Kerala;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHR BALRAM SINGH YADAV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Preliminary mineral survey by Geological Survey of India (GSI) have not revealed any bauxite occurrence of economic singificance in Alleppey and Ernakulam districts of Kerala.

A total of 102.528 million tonnes of iron ore containing 31.5 to 41.2% iron have been estimated by G.S.I. in Eleyettimala, Alampara, Nanminda, Naduvallur, Cherruppa and